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Title: BIOMETRIC IDENTIFICATION MECHANISM THAT PRESERVES THE  
INTEGRITY OF THE BIOMETRIC INFORMATION

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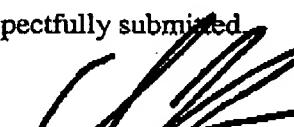
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